

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

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Serial No.: 09/881,038

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For: FLEXIBLE BANDWIDTH ALLOCATION
IN HIGH-CAPACITY GROOMING
SWITCHES

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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please substitute the following attached pages for their corresponding pages in the originally filed application:

Pages 5 and 8-11 and 13.

Please replace Page 5, line 1 through line 29, with the following:

B' --On the other side, the RRGs algorithm performs only one selection per time slot, and involves simple structure of the central controller. So, WRRGS can potentially be used in a switch with a larger number of ports and/or higher line bit-rate, i.e. in a switch with a higher capacity.

Applicant has shown that WRRGS can flexibly allocate at least 50% of the total switch capacity.